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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116**  
**EXPEDITED PROCEDURE**  
**EXAMINING GROUP 1700**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: Z. Hu et al. Attorney Docket No.: SEMT119899/P03-0010  
Application No.: 10/667,795 Art Unit: 1742 / Confirmation No: 9565  
Filed: September 22, 2003 Examiner: M.P. Alexander  
Title: THIOUREA- AND CYANIDE-FREE BATH AND PROCESS FOR  
ELECTROLYTIC ETCHING OF GOLD

RESPONSE TO EXAMINER'S ACTION MAILED MAY 8, 2006

Seattle, Washington 98101

July 5, 2006

TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Responsive to the Examiner's Action mailed May 8, 2006, applicants respectfully request entry of the amendments set forth below and passing of the application to allowance. The amendments set forth below cancel rejected claims, thus placing the application in a condition for allowance. Accordingly, their entry at this juncture is proper.

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR AMENDMENT  
AFTER FINAL REJECTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

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Amendment Transmittal

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. No additional claim fee is required, as shown below.

COMPUTATION OF FEE FOR CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest Number Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee
Total Claims	11	-	34	= 0	x 50 = 0
Independent Claims	2	-	9	= 0	x 200 = 0
TOTAL					\$0

Respectfully submitted,

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